

Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology on S. 314 and H.R. 716, bills to require that the Federal Government procure from the private sector the goods and services necessary for the operations and management of certain Government agencies, and proposed legislation to provide a fair, competitive process for the selection of sources to perform activities of the Federal Government that are not inherently governmental functions, after receiving testimony from Senator Thomas; G. Edward DeSeve, Acting Deputy Director for Management, Office of Management and Budget; former Deputy Mayor Skip Stitt, Indianapolis, Indiana; Bryan Logan, Earth Data, International, Gaithersburg, Maryland, on behalf of the Management Association for Private Photogrammetric Surveyors; Lawrence Trammell, Science Applications International Corporation, San Diego, California, on behalf of the Contract Services Association of America; Douglas K. Stevens, Jr., U.S. Chamber of Commerce, Robert M. Tobias, National Treasury Employees Union, and Bobby L. Harnage, Sr., American Federation of Government Employees (AFL-CIO), all of Washington, D.C.; Michael B. Styles, Federal Managers Association, Alexandria, Virginia; and Steve Kelman, Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

CYBERCRIME

Joint Economic Committee: Committee concluded hearings to examine the potential problems with cyber banking and protecting the cyber infrastructure while eliminating the potential of economic tampering and espionage, after receiving testimony from Neil J. Gallagher, Deputy Assistant Director, Criminal Division, Larry E. Torrence, Deputy Assistant Director, National Security Division, and Michael A. Vatis, Deputy Assistant Director and Chief, National Infrastructure Protection Center, all of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice.

AGRICULTURAL REFORM ACT

Conferees agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of S. 1150, to ensure that federally funded agricultural research, extension, and education address high-priority concerns with national multistate significance, and to reform, extend, and eliminate certain agricultural research programs.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D219)

H.R. 595, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 475 Mulberry Street in Macon, Georgia, as the "William Augustus

Bootle Federal Building and United States Courthouse". Signed March 20, 1998. (P.L. 105-163)

H.R. 3116, to address the Year 2000 computer problems with regard to financial institutions, and to extend examination parity to the Director of the Office of Thrift Supervision and the National Credit Union Administration. Signed March 20, 1998. (P.L. 105-164)

S. 347, to designate the Federal building located at 100 Alabama Street NW, in Atlanta, Georgia, as the "Sam Nunn Federal Center". Signed March 20, 1998. (P.L. 105-165)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25, 1998

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Airland Forces, to resume hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on tactical aviation modernization, 10 a.m., SR-222.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the situation in the Persian Gulf, 2 p.m., SR-222.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, to hold hearings on the nomination of Arthur Levitt Jr., of New York, to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission, 2 p.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, Subcommittee on Communications, to hold hearings on the implementation of section 271 of the Telecommunications Act (P.L. 104-104) relating to the application process for local telephone companies desiring to provide long distance service, and on S. 1766, to permit Bell operating companies to provide interstate and intrastate telecommunications services within one year after the date of enactment of this Act, 2:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management, to hold hearings on general land exchange bills, including S. 890, S. 1109, S. 1468, S. 1469, S. 1510, S. 1683, S. 1719, S. 1752, S. 1807, H.R. 1439, and H.R. 1663, 2 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works, to continue markup of S. 8, to reauthorize and amend the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Liability, and Compensation Act of 1980 (Superfund), 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Foreign Relations, Subcommittee on International Economic Policy, Export and Trade Promotion, to hold hearings on S. 1413, to provide a framework for consideration by the legislative and executive branches of unilateral economic sanctions, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Governmental Affairs, to resume hearings on S. 712, to provide for a system to classify information in the interests of national security and a system to declassify such information, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Constitution, Federalism, and Property Rights, to hold hearings